GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PRIVATE AIR TAXI SERVICE
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of non-scheduled air operators providing air taxi/non-scheduled air transport services in the country;

(b) the criteria for according permission/license to these operators; and

(c) whether any regulator body/mechanism has been put in place to monitor quality of service, fare-structure etc. in respect of these operators?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) At present, there are 37 non-scheduled operator`s permit holders in the country.

(b) Non-scheduled operator`s permit and Non-scheduled (charter) Operator`s permit are issued in accordance with the Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR), Section 3, Series`C`,Part-IIIdated 8.10.1999 and CAR, Section 3, Series `C`,Part-V dated 17.5.2000 respectively issued by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA).

(c) Domestic air fares are not regulated by the Government. The non-scheduled operators are required to meet the safety and security norms prescribed by DGCA and Bureau of Civil Aviation Security.